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Enclosed is a decision on the Petition to Accept Formal Color Photographs Under 37 C.F.R. 1.84(b)(2), filed on October 2, 2003.

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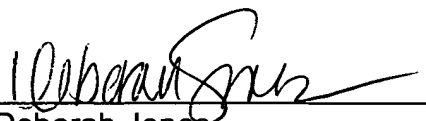
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DECISION ON  
PETITION

This is a decision on the PETITION TO ACCEPT FORMAL COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(2), filed October 2, 2003 to permit color photographs since (1) the fee as required by 37 CFR 1.17(h) has been authorized, (2) three sets of the color photographs have been filed, (3) the specification includes the language set forth in 37 CFR 1.84(a)(2)(iv), and (4) an explanation is provided stating why color photographs are necessary.

A review of the application record indicates that all of the requirements for acceptance of color photographs have been met.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

  
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